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Enclosed please find an Amendment in response to the June 30, 2006 Office Action in the above referenced application.

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 Serial No.: 09/748,994) Examiner: Heather D. Gibbs
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Title: A METHOD FOR VERIFYING THE AUTHENTICITY OF AN
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Total Claims	19	-	20	=	0	X	\$50.00	=	0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	X	\$200.00	=	0.00
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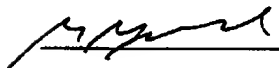
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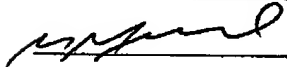
This communication is submitted in response to the June 30, 2006 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due September 30, 2006 or the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or federal holiday. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Amendments to the claims; and
2. Remarks.

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